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SUBJECT: REPORT OF SUSPECTED ASYLUM FRAUD: NDOJ, GJIN (A# 99-432-645)

1. SUMMARY. Evidence revealed during a Visas 92 interview at embassy Tirana indicates that the I-589 asylee statement of Gjin NDOJ (DPOB 17 SEP 1960), ALBANIA, (A# 99-432-645) contains falsified material information. END SUMMARY.

2. Gjin Ndoj was granted asylum in New York, New York on May 17, 2007. On July 5, 2007, he filed follow-to-join petitions for his wife Tereze (DOB 1 JUL 1958), son Ervin (DOB 12 MAR 1986), and daughter Anila (DOB 20 MAY 1988). The Visas 92 petitions were approved on March 20, 2008.

3. Mrs. Ndoj and her two children appeared in Embassy Tirana on April 30, 2008, for their follow-to-join (V92) asylee interview. To verify the beneficiaries' identity and the family relationship, the interviewing Consular Officer reviewed the beneficiaries' evidence and interviewed them under oath. The interviewing Consular Officer used an Albanian interpreter for the interview.

4. The interviewing Consular Officer asked the three beneficiaries basic questions about the petitioner. The answers contradicted almost every aspect of the petitioner's sworn statement for asylum submitted with his original I-589 application. First, the beneficiaries stated that Mr. Ndoj had worked in a metal processing plant for approximately nine years until 1992. After that time, he never had any other employment. The beneficiaries further stated that the petitioner never owned any mechanic shop and he never worked as a mechanic. This contradicts the petitioner's statements that he worked as a mechanic and owner of a garage from 1993 to 2003, as well as the statements that the police forced the petitioner to close his mechanic shop and that he had an ownership dispute with the Socialists regarding the property. The beneficiaries stated that the only employment the petitioner ever had after 1992 was occasionally helping Mrs. Ndoj with her work in the local market. Per the beneficiaries, Mrs. Ndoj was the sole bread winner for the family. Mrs. Ndoj stated that her husband rarely left the house because he did not have a job after the metal factory plant closed.

5. The beneficiaries stated that Mr. Ndoj had never been arrested nor had he ever spent any time in jail. Mrs. Ndoj stated that the petitioner had been beaten once in riots when the government changed around 1997 and he had bruises on his body from that one incident, but that was the only time he had ever been harmed or beaten. This contradicts the petitioner's statements that he had been beaten several times in the early 1990s and then after 2000, and that he had been jailed at different times.

6. Mrs. Ndoj stated that her family had never had any property confiscated by the government. This contradicts the petitioner's statements that the property of Mrs. Ndoj's family was confiscated during the Communist regime.

7. Mrs. Ndoj further stated that she and her children had never stayed anywhere other than in their home during the last 25 years

and she had never had to stay with relatives. She stated that her relatives live close by and she could see them daily and has never slept at their house. This contradicted her husband's statements that his wife and children had to move in with her in-laws because they were scared.

¶8. Mrs. Ndoj further stated that her husband never went anywhere outside of the town of Lac until he left Albania. This contradicted the petitioner's statements that he had participated in protests in other towns, such as Shkoder and Tirana.

¶9. Based on Mrs. Ndoj's sworn statements, along with the testimony of her children, it appears that Mr. Ndoj's sworn statement in support of his asylum claim contains falsified material information. Post recommends that DHS consider re-opening this case for further review.

¶10. For more information, please contact Vice Consul Stephanie Boscaino at Embassy Tirana.

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